

SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Union School District

Grades: PK-12 Enrollment: 4,629

Superintendent: Dr. David L. Eubanks

Board Chair: Dr. Wanda R. All

PERFORMANCE

Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on www.ed.sc.gov and www.eoc.sc.gov as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD A	ND SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2008	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2007	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	2	20	0

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Districts with Students Like Ours are Districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

PASS					
PASS	2009 Reading	2009 Math	2009 Science	2009 Social Studies	2009 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above
District	67.3%	66.3%	61.4%	66.4%	60.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	68.5%	65.3%	60.7%	66.0%	64.0%
Average District	73.6%	70.5%	67.4%	72.2%	70.2%

PASS	2009 Reading	2009 Math	2009 Science	2009 Social Studies	2009 Writing
	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary
District	25.3%	22.3%	12.2%	22.6%	18.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	28.9%	23.0%	14.2%	21.5%	23.1%
Average District	35.2%	28.8%	18.8%	28.5%	29.8%

HSAP			
HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	71.1%	13.5%	15.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	72.3%	14.6%	13.1%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2009	(%)
District	90.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	92.9%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%	%)
District	54.7
Districts with Students Like Ours**	54.8

On-Time Graduation Rate (%)	
District	72.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	75.7%

^{**} Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

NAEP

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRADE	4 (2007)				
South Carolina	41	33	20	5	
Nation	34	34	24	7	,
READING – GRADE	8 (2007)				
South Carolina	31	44		23	2
Nation	27	43		27	2
	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficie	ent, and A	dvance	d
■ Below Basic □ B	asic Proficient	■ Advanced			

MATH – GRADE 4	(2007)			
South Carolina	20	44		31
Nation	19	43		33
MATH - GRADE 8	(2007)			
South Carolina	29	39	24	7
Nation	30	39	24	7
	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient	, and Adva	nced
■ Below Basic □ E	Basic Proficient	Advanced		

SCIENCE - GR	ADE 4 (2	(005)				
South Carolina		36	39		23	2
Nation		34	39		25	■2
SCIENCE - GRA	ADE 8 (2	005)				
South Carolina		46	31	21	2	
Nation		43	30	24		3
	%	Below Basic	% Basic, Proficie	ent, and	Advan	ced
Below Basic	☐ Basic	☐ Proficient	■ Advanced			

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Union School District DISTRICT PROFILE

Students (n=4.622) Retention rate 2.9% Down from 4.0% 3.4% Attendance rate 94.6% Up from 94.4% 95.7% Eligible for gifted and talented 12.5% Down from 13.5% 11.7% With disabilities other than speech 14.3% Down from 13.5% 11.7% Older than usual for grade 3.0% Down from 14.4% 10.7% Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses Enrolled in AP/IB programs 6.6% Up from 5.1% 7.8% Successful on AP/IB exams 51.1% Up from 30.3% 51.1% Eligible for LIFE Scholarship 9.9% Up from 7.5% 29.5% Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs 53 Down from 92 40 Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs 3.4% Up from 0.6% 4.0% Ieachers (n=333) Teachers with advanced degrees 56.5% Up from 56.4% 56.4% Continuing contract teachers 73.6% Down from 75.2% 78.7% Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates 4.3% Down from 6.5% 4.9% Teachers eturning from previous year 90.1% Up from 93.6% 88.2% Average teacher salary* \$47,078 Up from 93.6% 95.2% Average teacher salary \$47,078 Up from 2.3% 2.1% Professional development days/teacher 0.3% Down from 2.3% 2.1% Down from 2.2 2.1% Down from 2.3% 2.1% Down from 2.2% 2.1% Down from 6.6% 39.7% Prime instructional time 88.8% Down from 60.5% 56.1% Prime instructional time 88.8% Down from 0.5% 56.1% Percent of expenditures for instruction** 58.8% Down from 10 9 Portable classrooms 4.9% 4.9% 4.9% Portable classrooms 10.1% Up from 8.2% 2.3% Average administrator salary \$7,098 Up 4.9% \$78,492 Portable classrooms 10.1% Up from 8.2% 2.3% Average administrator salary \$7,098 Up 4.9% \$78,492 Portable classrooms 10.1% Up from 8.2% 2.3% Average administrator salary \$7,098 Up 4.9% \$78,492 Portable classrooms 28,79,99 Up 4.9% \$78,492 -20		Districts with Students Like Ours	Change from Last Year	Our District	
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Dollars spent per pupil** \$8,761	20.5 to 1	20.1 to 1	Down from 21.2 to 1	20.5 to 1	Student-teacher ratio in core subjects
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	93.9%	95.1%	N/A	96.0%	Parents attending conferences
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Number of charter schools 0 No Change 0	0	0	No Change	0	Number of charter schools
% of AYP objectives met 85.7% Up from 61.9% 85.0%	85.7%	85.0%	Up from 61.9%	85.7%	% of AYP objectives met

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on www.ed.sc.gov and www.eoc.sc.gov as well as school and school district websites.

Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

The 2008-2009 school year has presented many challenges. The greatest has been the reduction of school funding from state sources. Every effort has been made to reduce expenses and retain programs and staff important to student achievement. Union County Schools has excellent student-teacher ratios, and the goal has been to retain that very important statistic. Smaller classes result in greater attention by teachers to the progress of each student. It can also result in more and better communication with the home. The Board of Trustees, staff, and administration have worked hard to examine every aspect of school district operations to assure that the emphasis continues to be on the classroom.

Progress continues on two new schools. One will replace Sims Jr. High and Excelsior Middle schools and will house grades six, seven, and eight. The other will replace Jonesville Elementary and Jonesville Middle and will house kindergarten through grade eight. The addition of these two schools and the closing of four current schools have helped tremendously with budget preparation for 2009-2010. Efficiencies gained in these two facilities will pay dividends to Union County Schools for many years to come as they provide a great environment for the students in Union County to grow and learn.

Two academic programs were added during the 2008-2009 school year. A foreign language program was added for all students in kindergarten through grade eight. This is a very important area for all students as they grow up in an economy that has no international borders. Students must seek to understand the cultures and languages of many people. An orchestra program was also added for grade five with the goal to move the program to grade six in 2009-2010 and expand one additional grade level each year. There were over eighty students enrolled with the program during the first year with that number exceeding expectation. It is anticipated that the number will increase in future years and will provide another opportunity for students to experience an area that will provide enjoyment for a lifetime.

Progress continues as do challenges. Every effort must be made to seek areas to improve. We must hire the best staff, have high expectations, and maintain focus on our core business, which is student achievement.

Dr. David L. Eubanks, Superintendent

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available.